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Mr. Arthur Neal
Director, Program Administration
National Organic Program
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Washington, DC 20250

Dear Mr. Neal and the National Organic Standards Board,

This letter is in reference to the National Organic Program, Sunset Review, Docket number TM-04-07. Liberty Vegetable Oil Company supports the continued allowance of the following substances:

- 1) <u>Bentonite</u>, Location on National List = 205.605a, this substance is used as a processing aid for decolorizing organic vegetable oils.
- 2) <u>Citric Acid</u>, Location on National List = 205.605a, this substance is used as a processing aid to degum organic vegetable oils.
- 3) <u>Diatomaceous Earth</u>, Location on National List = 205.605a, this substance is used as a processing aid for filtration of organic vegetable oils.

There are no substitutes for the above-mentioned processing aids for organic vegetable oil production. Without the use of these processing aids we will no longer be able to process organic vegetable oils for the organic industry. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ronald Field President